

What is claimed:

1. A memory providing apparatus for an image data interpolation in an image processing system having an image sensor outputting line image data from a sensed image,
5 comprising:

a readable and writable single memory;

a buffer register having a prior data area storing first line image data, which has been stored in the memory, in a unit
10 of $2m$ bits, and having a present data area storing second image data, which is inputted in a unit of m bits, in a unit of the $2m$ bits; and

a memory controller providing the memory with a chip enable signal, a write enable signal, and an address indicating
15 locations of the first and second line image data stored in the buffer register, reading and writing the first and second line image data from and on the memory, and outputting the first and second line image data and a third line image data, which is inputted from the image sensor.

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2. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

an image signal processor performing an image data interpolation when receiving the first, second, and third line image data from the memory controller.

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3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the memory comprises:

a 4m bits memory cell having upper and lower areas storing in a memory cell unit of 2m bits data, respectively, which are
5 readable and writable by the memory controller.

4. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the memory controller controls the chip enable signal and the write enable signal to be enabled and disabled, respectively, and reads the
10 first line image data from the memory when the chip enable signal and the write enable signal are enabled and disabled, respectively, to store the first line image data in the prior data area of the buffer register, and the memory controller controls the chip enable signal and the write enable signal to
15 be enabled, and stores the first and second line image data, which have been stored in the buffer register, in the memory in a unit of the memory cell unit.

5. The apparatus of claim 3, further comprising:
20 an image signal processor performing a 3x3 line interpolation using the first, second, and third line image data; and

first, second, and third data transmission lines through which the first, second, and third line image data are
25 outputted from the memory controller, respectively,

wherein the memory controller reads the first and second line image data stored in the memory, transmits the first and second line image data through the first and second data transmission lines, and transmits the third line image data, which is inputted from the image sensor, through the third data transmission line according to the same clock.

6. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the memory controller comprises:

10 three data transmission lines through which the first, second, and third line image data are outputted from the memory controller.

7. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

15 an image signal processor performing a 3x3 line interpolation using the first, second, and third line image data; and

first, second, and third data transmission lines through which the first, second, and third line image data are
20 outputted from the memory controller, respectively,

wherein the memory controller reads the first and second line image data stored in the memory, transmits the first and second line image data through the first and second data transmission lines, and transmits the third line image data, which is inputted from the image sensor, through the third data

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transmission line according to the same clock.

8. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the line image data comprises:

5 a Bayer pattern.

9. The apparatus of claim 1. wherein the image sensor comprises:

one of a charge coupled device image sensor and a
10 complementary metal oxide semiconductor.

10. A method of providing line data for interpolation in an image processing system, the method comprising:

storing first line image data outputted from an image
15 sensor in a unit of m bits in a present data area of a buffer register in a unit of $2m$ bits;

storing the first line image data of the present data area of the buffer register in a memory in the unit of the $2m$ bits;

refreshing the buffer register;

20 reading the first line image data from the memory in the unit of the $2m$ bits to store the read first line image data in a prior data area of the buffer register, and storing second line image data outputted from the image sensor in the unit of the m bits in the present data area of the buffer register in
25 the unit of the $2m$ bits;

storing the first line image data and the second line image data stored in the prior data area and the present data area of the buffer register, respectively, in the memory in a unit of 4m bits; and

5 transmitting the first and second line image data stored in the memory and third line image data outputted from the image sensor to an image signal processor according to the same clock signal.

10 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the transmitting of the first, second, and third line image data comprises:

reading the first line image data stored in the memory using a memory controller connected to the memory;

15 reading the second line image data stored in the memory using the memory controller; and

outputting the third line image data inputted from the image sensor and the first and second line image sensor to the image signal processor through respective data transmission lines.

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12. The method of claim 10, wherein the transmitting of the first, second, and third line image data comprises:

causing first and second data transmission lines to be connected between the memory and the image signal processor,
25 and causing a third data transmission line to be connected

between the image sensor and the image signal processor; and

outputting the first line image data through the first data transmission line, the second line image data through the second data transmission line, and the third line image data
5 through the third data transmission line according to the same clock signal.

13. The method of claim 10, wherein the memory has a capacity able to store two line image data.

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14. The method of claim 10, wherein each of the first, second, and third line image data comprises a series of pixel data.

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